



Lessness Heath Primary School Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a very exciting week at Lessness this week. Your children have been involved in a fantastic week working with children from across the whole school on mini design briefs in our Innovation Week. I would like to thank Miss Butler and Mr Jackson for making this experience so successful for the children. They have put in a lot of time and effort into the planning for Innovation Week. Make sure you read all about the week in the newsletter below.

Also this week I have been involved in interviewing for our new catering contract for the new academic year. Liberty, Ritson and Chloe who represented the school joined me. We had to listen to some presentations and taste a lot of food! Although I cannot tell you the outcome of the interviews, I would like to thank the children for their fantastic input and for being great role models during the day.



Parents Evening

Last night many parents joined us for parents evening and were guided to the right rooms by our wonderful members of the Junior Leadership Team. We organised some information stations in our foyer including our LSFA team, our school caterers and information on applying for free school meals and attendance. The school would like to hear your views on if you found these useful.

We will be organising the same information and guides next week for our next Parents Evening. If you haven't organised a time with your child's class teacher, please see them as soon as possible.

Cake Sale – Friday 31st March

The LSFA are organising an end of term cake sale next week in the school hall from 2pm. The profits from the cake sale will be going back into the school. We would be very grateful for your cake donations (homemade or shop bought) on Friday. As we have children with allergies, please can you bring in a list of ingredients used in the cakes if they are homemade. Thank you in advance.



Mr Cox will be making one of his cakes for the cake sale. If you would like to be in with a chance of winning this cake, you will have to buy a raffle ticket! Tickets will be sold during the afternoon.

Back to school

Next week is our last week of term. A reminder to all parents that we break up from school for the Easter holidays on Friday 31st March. We return to school on Wednesday 19th April.

Maths Passport

We are delighted and excited to announce that we will be relaunching Maths Passport at the beginning of next term. Many parents will remember that we ran Maths Passport last year, and this had a huge impact in raising the children's ability to recall number facts quickly and calculate mentally. Workshops have been arranged for Thursday 20th April at 9am and 6pm to provide parents with further details about Maths Passport. Please look out for the invitation



Lost Property

Any lost property not claimed will be disposed of at the end of term. Please make sure any lost property is taken from the cupboard. All the lost property will be displayed on parents evening next week.

Innovation Week

This week, the children of Lessness Heath have been extremely busy creating innovative solutions to everyday problems as part of 'Innovation Week'. Children from different year groups have worked in teams across the school to design, build and evaluate pioneering ideas that help to solve problems such as clothing that suits every weather, eco-friendly transport, language-translating goggles, speaking book blurbs and smart watches that alert you when you need to hydrate yourself with water! We were also extremely fortunate to have guest speakers in our assemblies, who talked to the children about how innovative ideas are used in everyday life and to help inspire future career choices. Children demonstrated many of the school values throughout the week by cooperating with their peers, showing perseverance when facing challenge and taking responsibility for their own solutions.

We would like to say a huge thank you to all parents, carers, staff and visitors who supported us this week and those who brought in resources as this enabled our children to have a fantastic week of learning.

My idea was to create a layer of bubble-wrap type material over clothing so that every piece is waterproof and feels soft!
Emmanuel (Year 6)



This week, I have learnt to challenge myself.
Marvin (Year 1)



I have really enjoyed Innovation Week because we learnt how to work well as part of a team.
Stanley (Year 5)



We have made healthy breakfast bars with no wet substances! No-one likes soggy Cheerios!
Jaden (Year 2)



We have been making special glasses to translate different languages! Think how helpful they would be!
Evan (Year 4)



FREE Easter Holiday Courses

BIKEABILITY LEVEL 2 COURSES (incorporating Level 1)

Level 2 courses run over TWO full days (10.00am – 2.30pm each day) Trainees MUST attend both days in order to complete the course. Trainees must be aged 10yrs +.

The course aims to provide Level 1 and Level 2 training to children who are **COMPETENT** cyclists (e.g. can control the bike with one hand/look over their shoulder without wobbling) Most of the training will take place on public roads and trainers need to be confident that all trainees can cope with the conditions.

N.B. At the start of day 1 each child will be quickly assessed for their ability to control their bike. Parents/carers will be required to remain until this assessment is completed. If, in the trainer's opinion, your child is not yet ready to complete Level 1 & 2 training, you will be asked to take your child home at this stage and to consider applying again at a later date.

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| 01. Mon 10 & Tue 11 April | Erith School |
| 02. Mon 10 & Tue 11 April | Chislehurst & Sidcup Grammar School |

LEVEL 3 (Advanced)

Wednesday 12 & Thursday 13 April

Bikeability Level 3 is advanced training for students who are already experienced and competent Level 2 cyclists.

The course takes place over a 2 hour session and is designed to prepare students to cycle longer/more complex journeys (including routes to school). Training takes place on busier main roads and covers advanced skills such as filtering, hazard perception/management, multi-lane roads, roundabouts etc.

Training times and venues will be arranged individually

To book a place for your child on the **Level 2 OR Level 3** course please call 0208 303 7777 and ask for the Road Safety Team.

You will also be asked to complete and return a consent form to us in order to confirm your booking. There are only a limited number of spaces on these courses and they will be allocated on a first come first served basis. If you have any questions, or need further information, please call The Road Safety Team on the number above.

Weekly attendance

Congratulations to Pelican in KS1 and Magpie in KS2 for getting the highest attendance this week.

Registration Group	Percentage Attendance
Miss Clarke AM	87.6
Miss Clark PM	84.7
Miss Baker	96.7
Miss Ransom	94.8
Miss Bennett	95.1
Miss Hunt	97.3
Miss Koonkoon	98.0
Mr. Liddiard	94.7
Miss Nkwo	93.1
Mrs. Tongue	97.3
Mr. Butler	87.3
Mrs. Jensen	95.6
Miss Jayne	99.6
Miss Fredua	97.0
Miss Watt	96.6
Mrs. Sadler	93.7
Mrs. Adedoyin	97.2
Mr. Martin-Pitt	98.7
Mrs. Adepetun	96.4
Miss Kanu	96.9
Miss Steele	98.5
Mrs. Handley	97.8
Miss Butler	98.5

The class who gets the best attendance in Nursery or Reception each week will be rewarded by having the teddy in their class.

Congratulations to Miss Baker in Gosling Class.